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Election in the State.

Smith's Big Majority over Evans--Swearingen Next Supt of Education--Caughman Succeeds Himself as R. R. Com.

Yesterday's State: With the largest vote ever polled in South Carolina, E. D. Smith gets the nomination of the Democratic party for the United States senate with a total of 69,318 over his opponent, John Gary Evans, who received 39,655. The majority in round numbers is 30,000. This is the greatest landslide and most overwhelming defeat ever known in this State.

Mr. John E. Swearingen gets the nomination for the position of State superintendent of education by 61,288 to 48,291 for his worthy opponent, Mr. Stiles R. Mellichamp, the majority being 12,999.

But the most exciting finish of all was that in the race for railroad commissioner. In this B. L. Caughman of Saluda was nominated by a majority of less than 800 out of 110,000 votes.

The vote of the State is as follows:

United States Senator.	
Evans,	39,655
Smith,	69,318
Superintendent of Education.	
Mellichamp	48,291
Swearingen	61,288
Railroad Commissioner.	
Candler	54,612
Caughman	55,409

Vote for Congressman.

That Mr. Finley is reelected to Congress from this district by a considerable majority is shown by the following figures:

	Butler.	Finley.
Cherokee	1694	686
Chester, official	1168	776
Chesterfield	603	1649
Kershaw, 29 out of 33	841	732
Lancaster, official	1106	1303
York, official	404	2905
Total	5816	8051

Small Fire at Rock Hill Thursday.

Rock Hill Record: An alarm of fire was sent in this morning at 9:45, which proved to be from the residence of Mr. S. N. Sowell on West Mainstreet. Fortunately no great damage was done. The fire originated in a closet in one of the back rooms, but was discovered before it made much headway. Mrs. T. N. Baltour, who lives across the street, was the first one to notice smoke pouring from the window. She immediately gave the alarm, Mrs. Sowell being away from home at a neighbor's farther up the street. The fire company responded at once, but found it unnecessary to throw any water, the chemical apparatus being used with efficiency.

Father Charged with Killing Son with Whiskey.

Augusta, Ga., special in The News and Courier: The death of Carl Roberts, aged five years, son of D. T. Roberts, who died at the City Hospital yesterday morning from alcoholic poisoning induced by drinks of whiskey given the child by its father, was partially investigated Tuesday afternoon by a coroner's jury.

Levey Vincent testified that she saw Roberts and Taylor drive up in a wagon to a street

PRECINCTS		Congress--		Representatives--		Superintendent--		Railroad--	
Thos. B. Butler	245	83	10	7	3	21	102	43	98
D. E. Finley	215	175	18	7	44	48	29	46	33
Geo. W. Jones	220	48	20	11	21	99	51	48	34
W. Pressly Robinson	283	64	24	3	14	27	68	58	67
Harry Hines	206	209	3	11	29	47	23	75	49
J. H. Foster	211	183	9	14	40	42	37	52	78
Superintendent--	306	77	21	8	23	48	41	43	63
L. J. Perry	155	181	7	6	24	21	90	68	37
G. Lewis Mobley	262	183	21	9	42	57	55	48	104
H. H. Horton	197	75	7	3	4	12	74	41	28
J. Wylie Porter	307	189	16	13	32	18	102	43	116
Supt. of Education--	154	118	12	1	15	52	29	46	16
A. C. Howell	346	175	19	14	33	31	84	47	54
Claid N. Sapp	113	8	9	14	39	47	54	16	16
Coroner--	346	175	19	14	33	31	84	47	54
J. Montgomery Caskey	113	8	9	14	39	47	54	16	16
John King	346	175	19	14	33	31	84	47	54

THE VOTE IN LANCASTER COUNTY Second Dem. Primary Election, Tuesday, September 8, '08

The Vote for State Candidates in the County Second Democratic Primary Election, Sept. 8, 1908.

	For U. S. Senate.	For State Supt. Educa.	For R. R. Com.
	Evans	Smith	Mellichamp Swearingen Candler Caughman
Lancaster	92	371	297
Cotton Mill	43	214	204
Riverside	1	27	8
Thornwell	0	14	14
Van Wyck	10	38	32
Belair	13	57	32
Dwight	15	119	99
New Cut	20	69	43
Tradesville	25	104	53
Primus	4	94	90
Taxahaw	14	81	19
Welsh's	3	109	89
Haile Mine	7	33	23
Kershaw	9	180	166
Flat Creek	12	56	45
Jacksonham	8	27	20
Heath Springs	24	255	153
Montgomery	7	13	5
Douglas	3	43	34
Elgin	2	56	10
Antioch	1	51	35
Carmel	1	47	22
Pleasant Valley	1	48	23
TOTAL	312	2112	1518

corner in the red light district, where she resides, and that both men were drinking. She saw them give the boy a bottle, out of which he took two big drinks of whiskey. He was smoking a cigarette, she said. After a while the men took the boy from the wagon, when he complained of being sick, and set him down by the curbstone. In a moment or so he fell and his brutal father, seizing a wagon whip, lashed him to his feet again. A second time he fell, this time insensible, and from that time on never recovered consciousness. When the men saw he couldn't get up, they tucked a coat under his head, laid a handkerchief over his face and made off.

Emma Pemberton testified she found the father, when he had finally returned, bending over the boy's prostrate form, trying to arouse his child. She took the boy to her home and a

physician came. She heard Roberts admit that he had given the child whiskey.

Macon Blind Tiger Is Given \$1,000 Fine.

Macon, Ga., special in Atlanta Journal: Ike Bashinski was fined \$1,000 or twelve months in the city court today by Judge Hodges. He pleaded guilty to a charge of violating the state prohibition law. He was bound over to the city court from the police court, where two or more cases are still pending against him.

Bashinski operated the Kenesaw restaurant in Macon, and when his place was raided quantities of wet goods were found.

Those interested in the grave yard at Camp Creek Baptist church are requested to meet there next Friday morning to assist in cleaning it off.

Bryan Scores Cannon--Attacks Him in His Own District.

Evansville, Ind., Sept. 10.—Heavy personal onslaughts on Speaker Joseph G. Cannon, of the national House of Representatives, were made today by William J. Bryan in the course of his travels through Illinois.

The Democratic candidate attacked Mr. Cannon from all sides. He charged the Speaker with being the favorite of predatory corporations, with having strangled reform legislation and with having falsified the facts with regard to Mr. Bryan's wealth.

Mr. Bryan reached Speaker Cannon's congressional district about 9 o'clock this morning when a ten-minute stay was made at Toledo, Ill. A great crowd had assembled to hear him, and the Nebraskan immediately launched into his philippics against the Speaker. Moving on from Toledo, Mr. Bryan repeated his remarks at Newton, Ill.

Not content with his statements at these two places, the Democratic candidate for President later on, at Olney, Ill., where he stayed for three hours, openly accused the Speaker of telling a falsehood when the Speaker in addressing the Springfield convention fixed Mr. Bryan's wealth at a million dollars.

In great detail Mr. Bryan gave figures showing how his money had been acquired from the day he entered Congress until the present time. He denied emphatically that he was worth a million dollars and fixed the amount of his "earthly possessions" at \$150,000 as the extreme limit.

Not since the campaign began has Mr. Bryan spoken with such vehemence, and it is said to be the first time that a presidential candidate ever went out of his way to attack a candidate for Congress.

Five Meet Death in Denver Hotel Fire.

Denver, Col., Sept. 9.—Five men lost their lives and a score of persons were injured, several of them seriously, in a fire that destroyed the interior of the Belmont hotel, a three-story building at 3723 Stout street, this morning.

Patrick Treadwell, a fireman of Cripple Creek, Colo., who was stopping in the Belmont hotel when the fire started, is credited with having saved at least ten lives by inducing entrapped guests to jump from the upper story windows across a five-foot alley to the roof on an adjoining building and catching them in his arms. More than a score of persons jumped from windows before the department arrived.

In the opinion of officials of the fire department, the hotel was set afire and a rigid investigation is being made.

Evans Congratulates Smith.

Spartanburg special in The State: "Hon. E. D. Smith, Florence, S. C.: You have my congratulations and best wishes. I hope you will make good in the senate.—John Gary Evans."

Misses Lessie Phifer and Adelia Helms have returned from a visit to relatives in Lancaster, S. C.—Monroe Enquirer.

Report False that Attempt Had Been Made to Shoot Roosevelt.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 9.—Sensational reports that an attempt had been made to shoot President Roosevelt apparently have their origin in the fact that the hunting season has opened on Long Island and there is considerable shooting daily in the outlying districts. Close investigation fails to show that there has been any overt act directed against the president.

It is his custom to ride out every day, covering various routes in the country and it is not unusual for him to encounter parties of hunters. Also, there is a shooting club which engages in target practice not far from Sagamore Hill.

Mr. Loeb, secretary to the president, said today it was not believed for a moment that any one had tried to do harm to Mr. Roosevelt. No attention whatever was being paid to the matter officially, he said.

Unknown Pest Destroying Cotton in Oconee--May be Boll Weevil.

Anderson special in Thursday's State: Mr. G. R. McLees, who lives near Cross Roads in Oconee county, has been showing in this city some specimens of a pest which has been playing havoc with the cotton fields in his section. It is a bug, or insect, armed with a bill or "stinger" an eighth of an inch or so in length. Mr. McLees says that the bug will sting the cotton bolls when they are about grown and that the bolls straightway die and rot. The sting of the insect seems to convey a powerful poison. The pests are particularly bad on the farm of Mr. Rufus Boggs of the Cross Roads section and it looks now as if Mr. Boggs will not make any cotton at all. Whole fields have been destroyed. Mr. McLees was inclined to think that the pest was the Texas boll weevil, but no one here could say positively that it is the weevil. He has sent the insects to the Clemson college experts for examination.

Evans Says His Tickets were Legal--Reflects on State Chairman.

Spartanburg special in The State: Gov. Evans would not comment on the results today further than to say he regretted the trouble in reference to the tickets, which the young men in his office had sent out, with his name in large black face type. He said the tickets were perfectly lawful, but that the action of Chairman Jones had hurt him and caused an unpleasantness he greatly regretted.

He is quoted as saying that he is satisfied that the stand the chairman of the State executive committee took was adopted purposely to injure him.